

WINTER RALLY SPRINT 2021

Official Souvenir Fanzine



2021 Winter Rally Sprint 2021
Overall Standings After SS6

Pos	Driver	Team	Time	Points
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5	Mike Jones	Team Y	1:04.00	2
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Stage Results SS6 - Hub's Top 3
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Hub's Top 3
Slot Rally Cars

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WELCOME

Welcome to this commemorative fanzine - looking back at six weeks' of spills, thrills and tension that made up the WHO Winter Rally-Sprint 2021.

Racing at the Barn was suspended just before the first UK national lockdown. Although the pandemic ebbed and flowed through 2020, our club organising team decided we wouldn't return until we could all do so safely - and together. That could be a long wait.

To keep things ticking-over, we organised some HO proxy drag racing - inspired by the NTRA / Nitroslots group in America. But we also fancied something in 1:32 scale... The Wye Valley Club - whose members straddle the Welsh and English border - held two proxy slot rallies in 2020, one over the summer and one before Christmas. Those events gave us an idea...

However, Wye Valley are a major hub of slot rallying in the UK... we had no experience at all. Neither did we have any of the fabulous hand-crafted rally stages typical of a slot rally event. Those are two of the reasons we called our proxy a 'Rally-Sprint'. It also gave us the option to run some quick 'Club Sprint' style stages to fit into work and domestic timetables, but still move the event along.

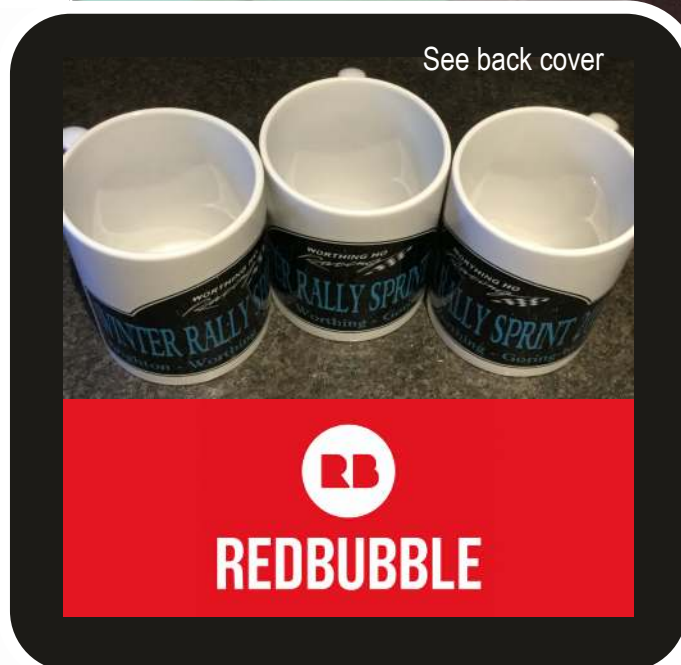
An amazing 46 cars were sent from all around the UK by 28 competitors. A third national lockdown did mean a few tweaks to the format and an extension of a week at the end of the event. We wanted to comply fully with the lockdown restrictions and to keep all the hosts 100% safe.

What happened next is laid out in this fanzine. The coverage will be interspersed with a few slot rally related articles, which I hope you'll enjoy. A big thank you to Hub Habets for his wonderful words and pictures on pages 6 and 7 - it's a real treat to have Hub contribute to the fanzine.

Huge thanks also goes to my fellow stage hosts - Simon, Oli and Jean - to Rally-Sprint team members Stephen and Rebecca, to Jadlam Racing Models who support our WHO events, Matt at Gagemaster for sending us prizes, Slot Car Magazine for coverage and especially to Jason and the team at SlotRacer, who have given us a perfect online platform for the Rally-Sprint - plus some cool stickers.

Enjoy reliving this year's event - and we'll see you in January 2022 for more WHO Winter Rally-Sprint fun!

Andy



ENTRIES

Class A: Scalextric WRC

For Scalextric 1997-2007 'modern' World Rally Cars

Entrant	Make	Model
Clive Mills	Scalextric	Subaru Impreza
Paul Cooper	Scalextric	Škoda Fabia
Graham Edwards	Scalextric	Subaru Impreza
Mike Scott	Scalextric	Škoda Fabia
Andy Player	Scalextric	Renault Mégane
Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric	Ford Focus
Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric	Peugeot 307
Simon Kendall	Scalextric	Subaru Impreza
Doug Passell	Scalextric	Subaru Impreza
David Passell	Scalextric	Ford Escort
Noah Passell	Scalextric	Subaru Impreza
Dylan Passell	Scalextric	Toyota Corolla

The opening ceremony took place at Rally-Sprint HQ on Wednesday 20 February. All 46 cars were photographed on the start ramp. This is Mike's Škoda Fabia WRC, which had travelled down from Whitley Bay.

Entrant	Make	Model
Clive Mills	Scalextric	Lancia Delta S4
Paul Cooper	Scalextric	Ford RS200
Graham Edwards	Scalextric	Audi Sport Quattro
Leo Capaldi	Scalextric	Ford RS200
Andy & Rebecca	Scalextric	Ford RS200
Andy Davis	Scalextric	Lancia Stratos
Doug & Noah	Scalextric	Audi Sport Quattro
David & Dylan	Scalextric	MG Metro 6R4
Oli Abbott	Scalextric	Audi Sport Quattro

Rules & Regs: Both Scalextric classes are for 'production' cars with very few modifications allowed. Magnets must be removed and tyres may be replaced with rubber or urethane alternatives. Components can be glued in place.

Why Scalextric? Although not a common sight at slot rallies, Scalextric cars have a special place at Worthing HO Racing. Our 1:32 scale digital club racing is almost exclusively Scalextric and most of us have also grown up with Scalextric sets at home.

We wanted something familiar for local racers at our first Rally-Sprint and that's why we'll keep at least one class for these home-grown cars at future events.

Class B: Scalextric DPR 'Group B'

For Scalextric DPR-era models of 80s and Group B Rally Cars



Andy Davis' Lancia Stratos. Like many, this was Andy's first proxy slot rally event.

Class C: UK Slot Rally

Nationally-agreed regulations for UK slot rally events (see page 54)

The UK Slot Rally class had 25 entrants, including quite a few slot rally veterans. On the start ramp is Alan's car - one of the Wye Valley entries. This Citroën C4 was the best Ninco in the 2020 Wye Valley Winter Stages, finishing third in the 'Modern' class.

Rules & Regs: This is a much more open class. The major restrictions are an in-line motor configuration, rubber tyres and a maximum rear axle width, depending on the era of the car. The 2021 regs can be found on the Slot Rally UK Facebook page.

Craig used his own Red Dragon 3D printed chassis on his Citroën (below) and his dad's Fiat 131. You can find Red Dragon Slotracing on Facebook. The ravishing red alloy wheels are by Staffs Slot Cars UK.

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Clive Mills	SCX	Alpine A110
Leo Capaldi	SRC	Lancia Delta S4
Phil Barry	SRC	Porsche 914/6 GT
Simon Coombes	SCX	BMW M1
Duncan Skelt	SCX	Ford RS200
Paul Cooper	SCX	Lancia Delta Integrale
Graham Edwards	NSR	Renault Clio
Gill Child	Scalextric / JS	Ford Escort Cosworth
Ade Child	Scaleauto	Ford RS200
Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it	Renault Mégane
Kevin Veitch	Powerslot	Nissan 350Z
Alan Birchmore	Ninco	Citroën C4
Andy Player	Ninco	Subaru Impreza
Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco	Mitsubishi Lancer
Phil Field	Ninco	Citroën C4
Mike Scott	SCX	Toyota Celica
Rebecca Shtasel	Policar	Subaru BRZ
Pete & Jerome Burley	SRC	Ford Capri RS2600
Simon Kendall	Carrera	Mini Countryman WRC
Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon	Citroën DS3
Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon	Fiat 131
Doug Passell	Scalextric	Ferrari F40
David Passell	Scalextric	Lancia 037
Noah Passell	SCX	Ford Escort RS1800
Dylan Passell	SCX	Seat Ibiza Kit Car

Start Ramp: The start ramp is nothing special - or expensive. It is based on a template for the 'Rally Sweden 2015' Rally-Startrampe produced by Pedemann Online and can be found via the Scenic section of the SlotRacer Online 'Slotcar Alley'. There are other start ramp designs.

"I used the template to cut some 3mm foamboard, then designed and printed my own logos. The chequered strip is vinyl tape, with a slot cut through the tape and foamboard for the cars' guides."

My Three Favourite Slot Rally Cars

By Hub Habets



1. SCX Ford Escort MK2

When I think of rallying, I immediately think of the legendary Ford Escort.

But which one is my favourite? Is it Timo Mäkinen's striking blue/white Milk sponsored RAC Rally 1973 winning Scalextric MK1, or should I choose the SCX RAC Rally 1979 Andrews Heat For Hire MK2 of Russell Brookes?

Both are very nice, but my muddy version SCX Escort MK2, winner of the RAC Rally 1977 and driven by Björn Waldegård, is really special to me. I think I will not be the only one who uses a particular car more than any other. This one is such a car.

I bought it for only £15 in 2010 at the NSCC Swapmeet in Milton Keynes.

After removing the cat hairs and cleaning it inside, I replaced the broken mud flaps with pieces of inner

bicycle tyre. The worn rear tyres were replaced with the intact front tyres and, after some lubrication and oiling, it became the car used very often for testing during the construction process of my scenic tracks.

Maybe you drove it yourself, when it was used as a test car on my under construction British rally track during the UK Slot Car Festival 2017 in Gaydon. It still works.

Above, below & overleaf: Pics of Hub's cars on his wonderful 'Flat Over Crest' rally stage.



2. Fly Porsche 911S

The Fly Porsche 911S is another of my three favourites. The first version I bought was the Rallye Monte Carlo 1970 winning car of Björn Waldegård.

Like the real 911, the motor is positioned behind the rear axle. After adding some weight in the nose and changing to a sprung guide, it is now well balanced. Sliding the Fly 911 from one bend into the next one is a lot of fun. But if you overdo it, you will end up in a spin, just like the real 911.



3. SRC Lancia Delta S4

The extraordinarily detailed 4WD SRC Lancia Delta S4 drives as it looks, due to SRC's use of high quality components. In no time it became one of my three favorites.

It's not the cheapest rally slot car you can buy, but the latest version of Tabaton's Rally Principe de Asturias 1986 winning car, in its eye-catching gold/black Esso colour scheme, made it irresistible for me as a rally fan. At the same time, it represents the very special time of Group B cars in rallying.



STAGE 1

SS1: Falmer Rally Cross 1



Date: Thursday 21 January

Location: Brighton Host: Andy

The Falmer Rally Cross stage was built with Ninco track - a mix of standard and off-road pieces - and is a slight variation on the 'big' Ninco sets of the early 2000s. It has R1, R2 and R3 curves and plenty of bone-shaking, teeth-rattling off-road track that will dislodge anything that isn't firmly in place! The layout was run clockwise this time, the direction will be reversed for the penultimate stage of the Rally-Sprint. Eight laps makes these the longest stages of the event.



Class A and Class B cars ready for Stage 1



Clive's Class B Scalextric Lancia Delta S4 was the first car on the stage

SS1: Stage Report

The first stage of the rally-sprint took place the day after the opening ceremony. Starting in the early afternoon, the Scalextric Class B and Class A cars passed through the stage in daylight. Most struggled on the Ninco off-road loop and the top times were taken by those suited to the conditions. Only two stages will feature the off-road surface. Clive Mills' Subaru was clear winner of Class A, with the Ford RS200 shared by Andy & Rebecca top of Class B.

The twenty-five Class C Slot Rally UK cars were last through the stage in gradually fading light. Fastest in the first group was the Slot.it chassied Ninco Mégane of Nascot Wood racer Alan Wilkinson. His time was only beaten by the local Ninco Subaru Impreza of Andy Player. Wye Valley's Sebastian Birchmore rounded off the podium.

The rally-sprint has a rule to give the host of each stage the average (median) time for the class to count towards the overall standings. That meant Alan led the event after Stage 1, with Clive leading Class A and Hawthorne Park racer Paul Cooper's Ford RS200 in control of Class B.

You can find the full stage results and overall standings on the next two pages.



SS1: Stage Results

1. Andy Player - Subaru Impreza
2. Alan Wilkinson - Renault Mégane
3. Sebastian Birchmore - Mitsubishi Lancer

Class A: Clive Mills - Subaru Impreza

Class B: Andy & Rebecca - Ford RS200

Class C: Andy Player - Subaru Impreza

Full results overleaf >>>

RESULTS

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Stage Time	Gap to winner
1	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	84.78	
2	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	85.26	0.48
3	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	85.5	0.72
4	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	88.03	3.25
5	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	88.51	3.73
6	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	89.11	4.33
7	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	89.27	4.49
8	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	90.23	5.45
9	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	94.31	9.53
10	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	94.39	9.61
11	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	97.39	12.61
12	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	98.43	13.65
13	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	99.8	15.02
14	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	104.4	19.62
15	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	104.6	19.82
16	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	104.9	20.12
17	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	108.5	23.72
18	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	109	24.22
19	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	109.3	24.52
20	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	110.4	25.62
21	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	110.5	25.72
22	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	110.7	25.92
23	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	111.7	26.92
24	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	112.1	27.32
25	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	113	28.22
26	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	114.5	29.72
27	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	114.7	29.92
28	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	115.3	30.52
29	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	115.4	30.62
30	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	116.9	32.12
31	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	118.1	33.32
32	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	119.2	34.42
33	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	121.4	36.62
34	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	121.5	36.72
35	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	122	37.22
36	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	122.8	38.02
37	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	123.2	38.42
38	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	124.6	39.82
39	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	124.7	39.92
40	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	124.9	40.12
41	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	125.7	40.92
42	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	127.3	42.52
43	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	131.1	46.32
44	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	131.2	46.42
45	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	135.2	50.42
46	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	158.3	73.52

OVERALL

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6	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	89.27	4.01
7	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	90.23	4.97
8	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	94.31	9.05
9	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	94.39	9.13
10	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	97.39	12.13
11	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	98.43	13.17
12	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	99.8	14.54
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16	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	104.9	19.64
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Get Started in Slot Rally Proxies

By Andy Player

I write as a 'veteran' of one whole slot rally - the proxy Wye Valley Winter Stages - plus most of the WHO Winter Rally-Sprint. I am most definitely a beginner, but what have I learned so far?

I did a lot of online research for my Wye Valley entries - going for the 'tried and tested' option of two Ninco cars, the Subaru in 'Modern' and a Lancia 037 in the '80s' class. I had the advantage of being able to set up my cars using a simple oval of Ninco track - half tarmac, half off-road - and gave them a spin round some SCX Classic track to ensure the guides weren't too deep. Testing is important. I couldn't replicate the routed track surfaces on some of the stages but I could with the Ninco and Scalextric / SCX Classic track - which seem commonplace on slot rally stages.

The main change to my cars was adding Ninco alloy rear wheels to the Subaru. They had to be Ninco alloys, because the Ninco axle is not a standard size. Otherwise, I did what I normally do with my WHO cars - tyres trued (and in this case glued), magnet out and ballast in - a bit of weight in front of the rear wheels and a little more than usual at the front (especially for the bumpy track). Chassis sides were sanded and body tabs shaved off - and screws replaced and loosened to allow oodles of body rock. NSR Ultragrips seemed a popular choice of slot rally tyre, so that's what I used. They come rather deformed and needed lots of truing on my DIY truing track.

Tweaking the suspension and using a sprung guide was new, but fun. I found a lot of conflicting advice online, but I went soft springs at the front and medium at the rear - and made sure the movement was smooth. I removed the 4WD belt on the Subaru, as permitted in the UK Slot Rally rules - although not everyone does... I also read the Lancia suffered from excessive wheel hop, so I glued the motor in place to stiffen the chassis.

I remembered from my limited experience running long-can motors that a lengthy run-in helps loosen it up and makes it more driveable. In a proxy you want a car that is really easy and enjoyable for the host to drive - they'll drive it quicker and it's less likely to crash. So I ran-in the NC5 in the Subaru and the short-can NC9 in the Lancia. It was the first time I'd used a proper short-can motor (rather than the usual S-Can) and it really wasn't great during run-in, but eventually smoothed out fine. Or so I thought...

The Subaru did surprisingly well - fourth place in its class. However, the motor in the Lancia had completely seized up and it failed to start the first stage... so, everyone who entered a car into our Rally-Sprint did a better job than I did on my Slot Rally debut! Nevertheless, I had fun following the Winter Stages, learned lots and most definitely caught the slot rally bug. I'm up for more proxies, but to get to a real 'live' slot rally event is top of my to do list for 2022.



These two cars made the trip to Wales for my first try at slot rally racing - the 2020 Wye Valley Winter Stages. A Ninco Lancia 037 (left) and Ninco Subaru Impreza (below).



Andy's Top Tips

- Read up on the event - stages, surfaces, slot depths etc.
- Do lots of online research to build on your existing knowledge.
- Pick a car that is quick, but also solid, reliable and will be enjoyable for the hosts to drive.
- Read the rules - know what you can do and what can't you do.
- Tyres are key to success - choose for grip, durability and suitability across the surfaces.
- Test your car as much as you can and on as many surfaces as possible.
- Any doubts - sort them out before you post your cars!
- Follow and enjoy the event, whatever happens. Learn the lessons of success and failure.

Slot Rally: Slot car racers have been running single car sprints, hillclimbs and rally stages ever since the 1950s.

However, it was in Spain that enthusiasts took the slot rally concept to its logical conclusions - a series of 10-12 elaborate stages set up in a room and racers circulating in groups. Some stages are works of art, but the aim is always authentic rally racing. Don't be surprised to see water splashes, snow (icing sugar) and mud (cocoa powder). Slot rallying remains an important niche in the hobby wherever rallying is popular, particularly in Spain. There's more about the UK scene on page 54.

STAGE 2

SS2: Martyrs' Mile



Date: Sunday-Monday 24-25 January

Location: Goring-by-Sea Host: Simon

Martyrs' Mile - named after the nearby English Martyrs' church - was built from Scalextric Sport track, with a Classic skid chicane inserted using the C8222 converter pieces either side.

Simon's DIY Sport rally loops turned the cars around at each end of a twisty stage.

Simon ran each car over six laps, timing their runs using the LapTrax app on an Android phone.



Noah's Subaru Impreza was top in the Class A Scalextric WRC class

SS2: Stage Report

Following the road transfer from Brighton to Goring-by-Sea and some decontamination time, this second stage kept Simon busy in the attic on Sunday evening and Monday morning.

First through the stage were the Group B cars, Doug & Noah's Audi winning the class. Simon said *"Nothing fazed it, it just cruised round comfortably sticking to the curves for the win."* The Class A cars followed before bedtime *"Quite a mixed bag this lot, but great fun racing some of the old-school Scalextric models."* Noah's red Subaru finished ahead of Doug and Mike.

The following morning, Simon ran the Class C UK Slot Rally cars - *"Alan Birchmore winning the stage and one of only two cars I managed to get under 12 seconds for a lap."* That gave us a Ninco 1-2-3 on the Martyrs' Mile and promoted Alan B and Phil F to first and second overall. Alan Wilkinson's Mégane had dropped to third - the top five covered by five seconds.

Clive and Graham's Scalextric Subarus were tied at the top of Class A, with Oli leading Doug & Noah by exactly two seconds in Class B. Graham was third, making it an Audi Quattro 1-2-3 after two stages.



Doug & Noah led an Audi 1-2-3 in Class B



SS2: Stage Results

1. Alan Birchmore - Citroën C4
2. Phil Field - Citroën C4
3. Andy Player - Subaru Impreza

Class A: Noah Passell - Subaru Impreza

Class B: Doug & Noah- Audi Sport Quattro

Class C: Alan Birchmore - Citroën C4

Full results overleaf >>>

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4	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	75.5	2.49
5	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	75.6	2.59
6	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	75.83	2.82
7	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	76.99	3.98
8	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	77.55	4.54
9	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	78.11	5.1
10	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	79.1	6.09
11	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	79.77	6.76
12	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	79.79	6.78
13	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	79.83	6.82
14	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	81.24	8.23
15	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	81.33	8.32
16	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	81.43	8.42
17	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	81.52	8.51
18	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	81.7	8.69
19	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	82.89	9.88
20	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	84.16	11.15
21	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	84.19	11.18
22	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	84.85	11.84
23	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	85.26	12.25
24	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	85.8	12.79
25	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	85.81	12.8
26	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	85.96	12.95
27	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	86.23	13.22
28	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	86.96	12.95
29	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	88.64	15.63
30	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	88.72	15.71
31	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	89.16	16.15
32	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	90.22	17.21
33	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	90.71	17.7
34	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	91.54	18.53
35	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	92.91	19.9
36	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	92.98	19.97
37	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	93.16	20.15
	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	93.16	20.15
39	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	93.21	20.2
40	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	93.36	20.35
41	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	97.79	24.78
42	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	98.64	25.63
43	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	99.88	26.87
44	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	100.53	27.52
45	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	102.91	29.9
46	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	148.34	75.33

OVERALL

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Overall Time	Gap to leader	
1	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	161.04		↑2
2	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	162.73	1.69	↑4
3	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	163.37	2.33	↓2
4	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	165.5	4.46	
5	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	165.83	4.79	↑2
6	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	166.66	5.62	↑1
7	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	167.2	6.16	↓5
8	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	169.81	8.77	
9	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	178.22	17.18	↑2
10	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	178.91	17.91	↑5
11	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	185.1	24.06	↓2
12	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	186.12	25.08	↑2
13	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	188.96	27.92	↓1
14	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	190.24	29.2	↑4
15	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	190.37	29.33	↓2
	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	190.37	29.33	↓5
17	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	191.13	30.09	↑10
18	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	193.13	32.09	↑3
19	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	193.76	32.72	↓2
20	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	195.17	34.13	↑8
21	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	196.5	35.46	↑1
22	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	199.14	38.1	↓3
23	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	200.51	39.47	↑3
24	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	200.82	39.78	↓2
25	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	202.73	41.69	↑7
26	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	203.7	42.66	↑12
27	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	204.73	43.69	↑13
28	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	205.43	44.39	↑2
	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	205.43	44.39	↓12
30	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	205.51	44.47	↓7
31	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	206.19	45.15	↑4
32	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	206.35	45.31	↑1
33	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	207.59	46.55	↑6
34	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	207.71	46.67	↓9
35	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	211.46	50.42	↑7
36	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	211.64	50.6	↓12
37	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	212.34	51.3	↑6
38	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	214.86	53.82	↓5
39	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	215.89	54.85	↓9
40	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	218.16	57.12	↑4
41	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	218.86	57.82	
42	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	219.81	58.77	↓13
43	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	223.08	62.04	↓6
44	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	226.74	65.7	↑1
45	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	251.46	90.42	↑1
46	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	271.14	110.1	↓10

STAGE 3

SS3: Jupp's Cup



Date: Monday 26 January

Location: Goring-by-Sea Host: Simon

George Jupp was a local eighteenth century farmer and built a new barn in 1771 where WHO Racing now meets.

Simon's stage was built from a combination of Scalextric Sport and some Scalextric / SCX Classic track. A cross-over piece was used to utilise both lanes of the circuit. Simon ran each car over six laps, timing their runs using the LapTrax app on an Android phone.



Oli' Audi Sport Quattro led an Audi 1-2 in Class B Scalextric Group B

SS3: Stage Report

Simon's second stage was built while Rally-Sprint HQ was still crunching the data for Stage 2. Jupp's Cup offered a slightly different challenge and it was the Class C cars that went first. The Renault Mégane of Alan Wilkinson took first place, just a little over half a second ahead of the Porsche 914 of Phil Barry (one of Simon's favourites) and third place went to Phil Field's Citroën C4.

Next was the Group B cars and Oli Abbott's Audi Quattro absolutely trounced the rest of the group, some six seconds faster than Doug & Noah's Audi and Andy & Rebecca's RS200 - who tied on 83.55 seconds. Simon gave second place to the Audi for a faster best lap.

Finally, in Class A, Paul Cooper's great-looking Škoda Fabia took first place. Simon enjoyed racing Jeremy's old-school Peugeot 307, which came in next - less than a second behind the Škoda. In third was Doug's Subaru.

Simon signed off with this message, "It's been great to race a fantastic variety of models, some tuned to near perfection, some not so much. Here are a few of my favourites (see left). Thanks for letting me play!"



These were four of Simon's favourite cars

SS3: Stage Results

1. Alan Wilkinson - Renault Mégane
2. Phil Barry - Porsche 914/6 GT
3. Phil Field - Citroën C4

Class A: Paul Cooper - Škoda Fabia

Class B: Oli Abbott - Audi Sport Quattro

Class C: Alan Wilkinson - Renault Mégane

Full results overleaf >>>



RESULTS

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Stage Time	Gap to winner
1	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	74.34	
2	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	74.93	0.59
3	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	75.97	1.63
4	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	76.03	1.69
5	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	76.71	2.37
6	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	76.73	2.39
7	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	77.37	3.03
8	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	77.55	3.21
9	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	77.81	3.47
10	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	78.17	3.83
11	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	79.34	5
12	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	81.19	6.85
13	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	81.2	6.86
14	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	81.4	7.06
15	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	81.89	7.55
16	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	82.69	8.35
17	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	83.55	9.21
	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	83.55	9.21
19	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	83.91	9.57
20	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	84.15	9.81
21	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	84.47	10.13
22	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	85.1	10.76
23	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	85.41	11.07
24	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	85.77	11.43
25	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	86.05	11.71
26	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	86.67	12.33
27	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	86.71	12.37
28	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	87.15	12.81
29	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	87.39	13.05
30	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	88.26	13.92
31	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	88.53	14.19
32	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	88.96	14.62
33	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	89.51	15.17
34	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	90.44	16.1
35	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	91.22	16.88
36	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	91.79	17.45
37	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	92.97	18.63
38	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	93.73	19.39
39	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	94.98	20.64
40	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	95.55	21.21
41	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	95.76	21.42
42	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	98.33	23.99
43	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	99.01	24.67
44	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	100.82	26.48
45	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	101.55	27.21
46	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	108.37	34.03

OVERALL

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Overall Time	Gap to leader	
1	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	237.71		↑2
2	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	237.75	0.04	↓1
3	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	238.7	0.99	↓1
4	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	240.76	3.05	↑1
5	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	243.23	5.52	↑2
6	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	243.67	5.96	↓2
7	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	246	8.29	↓1
8	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	247.36	9.65	
9	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	255.64	17.93	↑1
10	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	259.41	21.7	↓1
11	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	266.3	28.59	
12	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	267.52	29.81	
13	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	268.94	31.23	↑4
14	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	275.47	37.76	↑1
15	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	276.01	38.3	↓1
16	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	276.11	38.4	↓3
17	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	279.64	41.93	↑3
18	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	279.8	42.09	
19	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	279.81	42.1	
20	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	280.1	42.39	↑5
21	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	284.42	46.71	↑2
22	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	284.76	47.05	↓1
23	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	287.53	49.82	↑1
24	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	288.12	50.41	↑5
25	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	288.28	50.57	↑2
26	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	288.7	50.99	↓11
27	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	289.9	52.19	↑5
28	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	291.74	54.03	↑5
29	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	292.11	54.4	↓7
30	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	292.23	54.52	↓4
31	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	293.58	55.87	
32	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	293.74	56.03	↑5
33	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	295.02	57.31	↓3
34	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	296.87	59.16	↑1
35	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	300.05	62.34	↑5
36	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	302.69	64.98	↓2
37	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	303.43	65.54	↓1
38	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	306.25	68.54	↓10
39	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	310.08	72.37	↑2
40	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	313.87	76.16	↓2
41	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	315.36	77.65	↑1
42	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	317.18	79.47	↑2
43	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	317.44	79.73	↓4
44	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	318.84	81.13	↓1
45	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	345.19	107.48	
46	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	379.51	141.8	

New Slot Rally Slot Cars for 2021

Teamslot, SRC and Avant Slot have been very good to rally fans in recent years. Fly and the re-launched SCX brand have also brought us some nice re-liveries. On the other hand, Scalextric have had very slim pickings (although that may change in 2022-3) and Ninco have stopped producing 1:32 scale cars full-stop. Here we have a look at what has been announced for 2021 and going into 2022-3.

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"RALLY MONTECARLO '87"



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REF: PDV01012907

Lancia
DELTA HF 4WD
"OLYMPUS RALLY 1987"



REF: PDVA10A12909

Lancia
DELTA HF 4WD
"BOUCLES DE SPA '87"



REF: PDV01012908

Teamslot cars are stocked by most UK slot car retailers, including Pendles, MRE, Top Slots n Trains, Slot Car Supplies, Typhoon Slots and Weevils.

Barcelona-based company Teamslot have a real rally pedigree, producing beautiful scale models. Their rally cars are fitted with an in-line long-can motor and most of their recent releases come with aluminium rear hubs. In addition to this rally range, Teamslot also produce Ford Escort X-Pack and Zakspeed models. Teamslot cars retail for around £40-50.

Renault
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"RALLY CATALUNYA '97"



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Citroën
ZX 16V
"RALLY LA CORUÑA '97"



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Renault
ALPINE A310 V6 GR.5
"CARLBERSON"



REF: PDV01012503

Foyota
CELICA GT4 ST-185
"SAFARI 1992"



REF: PDVA10A1170

ESCORT MKII RS2000
"MAROCCO RALLY 1979"



REF: PDV01012706

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Next year's Winter Rally-Sprint will feature the Teamslot Challenge - a new class exclusively for Teamslot cars.

New Slot Rally Slot Cars for 2021



Avant Slot have linked up with Maralic Models to produce superb rally support vehicles. The latest model planned is this Fiat van.



The Slot Racing Company's Lancia Delta S4 was the sensation of 2020. Four new liveries are planned for this year - two in the black & gold of Grifone, a Totip-sponsored Jolly Club car, plus another Martini Racing livery - the 1985 RAC Rally winner.



It's Fly's 25 anniversary this year and a Lancia 037 is part of their '25 Aniversario' collection. UK distributor Gaugemaster received three new Porsche 911 rally liveries last month... and there are rumours the Datsun 240Z may finally make it into production in 2021...



SRC also announced a long-term plan for 2021-3 which includes a strong showing of new rally cars. SRC cars are premium price models, retailing around the £80-90 mark.



SCX have just announced these three rally cars for 2021. The Hyundai is brand new, the other two welcome re-releases... depending on your opinions of Ken Block! RRP is £42.95.



STAGE 4

SS4: South Downs 1



Date: Saturday 6 February 2021

Location: Goring-by-Sea Host: Oli

Oli's original plan was to run his stage as a hillclimb on top of the SouthDowns Slot Car Club's wood track in Barnham. Lockdown III put paid to that idea and he built the Scalextric Sport stage in his in-law's big lounge. Featuring fabulous 'donut' rally loops at each end, Oli streamed both stages on Facebook. They were quick-fire sprints - just one full lap - but that made it compelling viewing for entrants eager to see their cars in action.



The Breiteneder Rally Cross Audis were first and second in Class B

SS4: Stage Report

The action started just after 11am with the Scalextric Class B cars. It was a one-two for the Herbert Breiteneder Swedish Rally Cross Audi Quattros - Oli's car beating Graham's by 1.7 seconds. As host, Oli would be awarded the median class time in the overall standings.

Class A was incredibly close - the top five covered by just 0.6 of a second. Graham's Subaru was first, followed by Doug, Paul, Noah and Jeremy. That meant Graham led Noah by 4.63 seconds overall.

There was a shocking run for rally leader Alan W in Class C - he finished thirty-eighth on the stage, dropping over four seconds. At the top, Craig and Sebastian set the same time and shared the stage win. Ade was third. It was a first slot rally stage win for the Red Dragon DS3 chassis.

Although the stage was short, with possible time losses small, the standings did look different once the dust had settled. Alan W dropped to fourth - a Wye Valley 1-2-3 of Alan B, Phil F and Phil B leading the way.

After a short break and busy data crunching at Rally-Sprint HQ, Oli would be ready to go with a second run through the SouthDowns stage...

Stage 4									
Stage name: South Downs 1 Driver: Oli									
Track length:									
Slot Car	Car make & model	Chassis number	Colour / Sponsor	Entrant	Make on board	Stage Time	Quanta	Notes	
C14	Nissan Micra 1600	5	Blue - Red Bull	Sebastian Birchmore	Phil F (sticker)	14.6			
C15	Nissan Clio 1600	5	White, Blue & Black	Phil F (sticker)	Phil F (sticker)	15.2			
C16	SCX Toyota Celica	36	Sky Blue	Mike Scott	M. Scott (sticker)	17.8			
C17	Polaris Subaru BRZ	26	Turquoise	Rebecca (sticker)	Rebecca (sticker)	16.3			
C18	SPC Ford Capri RS2000	72	White & Black	Phil B (sticker)	Phil B (sticker)	17.6			
C19	Camara Mini R50C	14	Green & White	Simon Kendall	Simon K. (sticker)	32.8			
C20	SCX Citroën DS3	1	Black, Gold & Red	Craig Jones	Craig Jones (sticker)	14.0		No Sticker	
C21	SCX Fiat 131	1	Blue & Yellow	Steve Jones	Steve Jones (sticker)	14.8			
C22	Scalextric Ferrari F40	54	Dark Blue Gulf	Doug Passell	Doug (sticker)	15.4			
C23	Scalextric Lancia 037	7	White Marlboro	David Passell	David (sticker)	16.8			
C24	SCX Escort RS1800	11	Red & Black	Noah Passell	Noah (sticker)	16.8			
C25	SCX Seat Ibiza	1	White & Orange	Dylan Passell	Dylan (sticker)	16.5			
						16.7			

Class C Timing Sheet for Stage 4

SS4: Stage Results

1. Craig Jones - Citroën DS3
- = Sebastian Birchmore - Mitsubishi Lancer
3. Ade Child - Ford RS200

Class A: Graham Edwards - Subaru Impreza

Class B: Oli Abbott - Audi Sport Quattro

Class C: Craig Jones / Sebastian Birchmore

Full results overleaf >>>



RESULTS

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Stage Time	Gap to winner
1	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	14	
	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	14	
3	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	14.3	0.3
4	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	14.7	0.7
5	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	14.8	0.8
6	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	15	1
7	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	15	1
8	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	15.2	1.2
9	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	15.3	1.3
	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	15.3	1.3
11	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	15.4	1.4
	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	15.4	1.4
13	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	15.5	1.5
14	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	15.6	1.6
15	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	15.7	1.7
16	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	15.8	1.8
17	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	15.9	1.9
	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	15.9	1.9
19	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	16	2
20	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	16.3	2.3
21	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	16.4	2.4
22	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	16.5	2.5
	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	16.5	2.5
24	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	16.8	2.8
	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	16.8	2.8
	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	16.8	2.8
	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	16.8	2.8
28	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	16.9	2.9
	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	16.9	2.9
30	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	17	3
31	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	17.2	3.2
32	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	17.3	3.3
33	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	17.6	3.6
	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	17.6	3.6
	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	17.6	3.6
36	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	17.8	3.8
37	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	18	4
38	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	18.2	4.2
39	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	18.4	4.4
40	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	18.6	4.6
41	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	18.8	4.8
42	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	20.5	6.5
43	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	20.6	6.6
	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	20.6	6.6
45	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	28	14
46	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	32.8	18.8

OVERALL

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Overall Time	Gap to leader	
1	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	252.75		↑1
2	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	253.9	1.15	↑1
3	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	255.46	2.71	↑1
4	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	255.91	3.16	↓3
5	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	257.23	4.48	
6	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	258.67	5.92	
7	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	260	7.25	
8	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	263.26	10.51	
9	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	272.14	19.39	
10	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	274.21	21.46	
11	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	283.2	30.45	
12	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	283.24	30.49	↑1
13	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	283.32	30.57	↓1
14	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	290.77	38.02	
15	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	291.41	38.66	
16	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	292.61	39.86	
17	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	295.4	42.65	↑1
18	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	295.64	42.89	↓1
19	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	297.41	44.66	
20	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	298.5	45.75	
21	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	301.22	48.47	
22	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	303.56	50.81	
23	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	304.02	51.27	↑1
24	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	304.43	51.68	↓1
25	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	305.58	52.83	
26	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	306.7	53.95	
27	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	307.1	54.35	
28	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	307.14	54.39	
29	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	307.93	55.18	↑1
30	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	308.91	56.16	↓1
31	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	310.58	57.83	
32	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	312.62	59.87	↑1
33	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	313.27	60.52	↑1
34	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	315.55	62.8	↑1
35	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	318.1	65.35	↓3
36	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	320.23	67.48	↑1
37	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	321	68.25	↓1
38	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	322.55	69.8	
39	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	330.58	77.83	
40	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	335.78	83.03	↑2
41	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	335.96	83.21	
42	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	336.44	83.69	↑2
43	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	338.04	85.29	
44	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	341.87	89.12	↓4
45	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	362.99	110.24	
46	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	412.31	159.56	

STAGE 5

SS5: SouthDowns 2



Date: Saturday 6 February 2021

Location: Goring-by-Sea Host: Oli

The second run through the SouthDowns stage was also streamed live on Facebook. Oli went for a lower camera angle (above), which got a thumbs-up from viewers.

Although Oli had experience live streaming on social media, this was the first time he'd covered a slot car event. Despite some nervousness, it went very smoothly - Oli was able to focus on running the cars while the camera did its work.



Some of the Class C UK Slot Rally cars getting ready to go

SS5: Stage Report

The Scalextric WRC cars gave us a second tie of the day - Graham and Doug's Subaru Imprezas finishing on the same time and sharing the class win. Paul and Noah were tied for third. That strengthened Graham's lead in Class A.

Graham also won Class B with his Audi Sport Quattro, beating class leader Oli by 0.3 seconds - although Oli would lose another second in the overall standings by taking the median class time. He'd hang on to the lead quite comfortably.

Graham made it three class wins out of three and took the stage victory with his NSR Renault Clio. Oli said about the Clio "This was just awesome to drive! I want a copy the build spec please..."

After a disappointing first stage, Ade continued his recovery with a second place finish on the stage - sharing it with Phil's C4. Craig was fourth and the two Alans fifth and sixth.

That left Alan B still top of the overall standings, although the gap to Phil F was a mere three quarters of a second. Alan W was back on the podium, three seconds back and just ahead of Phil B's Porsche.

Stage 5									
Stage name: South Downs 2 Driver: Oli									
Track length:									
Slot Car	Car make & model	Car number	Colour / sponsor	Driver	Mark on bottom	Stage Time	Class	Notes	
A1	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	5	Blue	Oliver Mills (oliver)	17.7				
A2	Scalextric Skoda Fabia	12	White & Green	Paul Cooper	15.7				
A3	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	10	Blue	Graham Edwards	15.4				
A4	Scalextric Skoda Fabia	14	White & Green	Mike Scott	17.2				
A5	Scalextric Skoda Fabia	14	White & Green	Andy Player	17.1				
A6	Scalextric Renault Megane Maxi	24	Yellow & Blue	Andy Player	16.5				
A7	Scalextric Ford Focus	8	Silver 102	Rebecca Shireel	15.8				
A8	Scalextric Peugeot 307	16	Red	Jeremy Balch	19.8				
A9	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	8	Blue	Simon Randall	15.4				
A10	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	29	Blue & Red	Doug Passell	17.5				
A11	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	15	Red & White	David Passell	15.7				
A12	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	5	Red	Noah Passell	16.4				
A13	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	5	White, Green & Red 'Choclat'	Dylan Passell					

Class A Timing Sheet for Stage 5



SS5: Stage Results

1. Graham Edwards - Renault Clio
2. Ade Child - Ford RS200
- = Phil Field - Citroën C4

Class A: Graham Edwards / Doug Passell

Class B: Graham Edwards - Audi Quattro

Class C: Graham Edwards - Renault Clio

Full results overleaf >>>

RESULTS

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Stage Time	Gap to winner
1	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	13.9	
2	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	14.1	0.2
	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	14.1	0.2
4	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	14.2	0.3
5	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	14.4	0.5
6	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	14.5	0.6
7	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	14.7	0.8
8	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	14.8	0.9
9	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	15	1.1
10	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	15.1	1.2
11	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	15.2	1.3
	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	15.2	1.3
13	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	15.4	1.5
	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	15.4	1.5
	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	15.4	1.5
16	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	15.5	1.6
	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	15.5	1.6
18	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	15.6	1.7
	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	15.6	1.7
20	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	15.7	1.8
	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	15.7	1.8
	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	15.7	1.8
	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	15.7	1.8
24	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	15.8	1.9
25	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	15.9	2
26	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	16	2.1
	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	16	2.1
28	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	16.2	2.3
29	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	16.4	2.5
	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	16.4	2.5
	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	16.4	2.5
32	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	16.5	2.6
	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	16.5	2.6
34	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	16.6	2.7
	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	16.6	2.7
36	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	16.9	3
37	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	17.1	3.2
38	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	17.2	3.3
	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	17.2	3.3
40	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	17.5	3.6
	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	17.5	3.6
42	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	17.7	3.8
43	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	18.4	4.5
44	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	18.9	5
45	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	19.8	5.9
46	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	31.1	17.2

OVERALL

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Overall Time	Gap to leader	
1	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	267.25		
2	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	268	0.75	
3	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	270.31	3.06	↑1
4	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	270.46	3.21	↓1
5	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	271.93	4.68	
6	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	272.57	5.32	
7	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	274.2	6.95	
8	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	278.46	11.21	
9	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	287.64	20.39	
10	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	289.01	21.76	
11	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	297.34	30.09	↑1
12	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	298.92	31.67	↑1
13	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	299.2	31.95	↓2
14	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	306.17	38.92	
15	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	307.91	40.66	
16	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	309.51	42.26	
17	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	311.1	43.85	
18	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	311.34	44.09	
19	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	313.81	46.56	
20	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	314.9	47.65	
21	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	316.72	49.47	
22	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	319.82	52.57	↑1
23	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	320.16	52.91	↓1
24	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	320.83	53.58	
25	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	321.98	54.73	
26	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	322.54	55.29	↑2
27	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	323.1	55.85	
28	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	323.13	55.88	↑1
29	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	324.4	57.15	↓3
30	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	325.68	58.43	↑1
31	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	326.41	59.16	↓1
32	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	329.72	62.47	
33	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	330.47	63.22	
34	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	331.25	64	
35	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	333.8	66.55	
36	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	336.73	69.48	
37	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	337.29	70.04	
38	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	338.15	70.9	
39	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	347.78	80.53	
40	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	352.34	85.09	↑2
41	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	352.38	85.13	↓1
42	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	355.54	88.29	↑1
43	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	355.76	88.51	↓2
44	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	360.77	93.52	
45	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	381.39	114.14	
46	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	443.41	176.16	

Make Your Own Rally Loops

What we think of now as 'Rally Loops' first appeared in the 1965 Scalextric catalogue as 'Hillclimb and Dragster Turns'. Each PT/73 set included one 'Y' piece to split the track into single lanes, plus three single lane curves. The more recent Spanish Scalextric / SCX version (two loops bundled in the 'Chrono Rally Pack') is much sought after. Ninco also produced rally loops for their track system as 'Extension Kit 4' and in the 'World Rally' set. Expect to pay premium prices.

Is there a cheap and easy way to make your own Rally Loops? We saw three different versions during the Winter Rally-Sprint - on Simon's Martyrs' Mile stage, Oli's fabulous cross-over 'donut' loops and two simple standard radius loops on the Devil's Dyke Hillclimb.

Simon's 'teardrop' loop uses six C7016 single lane half-straight, two C7017 single lane curves and C8206 standard Radius 2 curves. It starts with one C7017 curve and one C7016 straight

added on the outside and a C7017 curve to outside lane of the standard curve, followed by two C7016 straights. The two ends are then joined using the inside lane of five standard C8206 curves.

Andy's loop was made from Scalextric and SCX Classic pieces, but

Sport could be used in the same way. The loop uses the inner lanes of two Radius 2 pieces cut to form the 'Y', then a half-straight and six Radius 2 corners. The cars go round the outer lane of the loop. The inner lane could be removed, but the double connections do give stability.

Oli's loop uses the same 'Y' - the inner lanes of two C8206 standard curves with the outer lane cut off. Two C7017 single lane straights either side feed into the outer lane of un-cut C8206s, with a C8203 Racing Curve cross-over in the middle. That gives an extra inner loop, the gap filled with the inner lanes of two C8206 curves. The C8529 90-degree Radius 2 corners can also be used. Oli's loop means cars do 360-degree donuts around the loop, which looks fabulous!

Cutting the plastic surface of Scalextric track is fairly straightforward using a sharp Stanley knife. Do take all the usual precautions to protect your fingers and the surface you are cutting on.

With a rally loop in your track, you'll need to take extra care with the power. Because the car runs in opposite directions on the two lanes connecting the loops, only one lane can be powered from the powerbase. That means the ARC Air and ARC Pro powerbases won't work - unless you remove the power wires from one lane. Standard powerbases should work - as long as only one controller is plugged in - but the safest bet is to snip the wires to one lane.

Any standard power taps will need to be removed and re-attached. A simple power tap can be made with a single piece of track positioned near the powerbase. Be careful which rails you connect - it will be the opposite to normal! So the two rails nearest each other and the two furthest from each other connect.



STAGE 6

SS6: Martlets 1



Date: Saturday 20 February

Location: Worthing Host: Jean

Jean based his Scalextric Sport stage on the fast and flowing tracks he'd built last summer for some small-group rug racing at his home. He used Race Coordinator to run each class.

However, the most impressive feature of Jean's stages was the split screen live coverage - three cameras on the layout, plus the timing data at the top. There's more about the OBS software he used on page 45 of this fanzine.



Jean was busy - ninety-two runs through the Martlets stage in a day

SS6: Stage Report

Jean gave us two stages in a day. He also laid on the most sensational live

coverage – a split screen of three camera angles and the Race Coordinator timing at the top. The footage of each class can still be watched on Facebook – the links are in the SlotRacer thread.

Noah grabbed the Class A win ahead of Rebecca and Graham. Noah remained Graham's closest challenger in the overall standings, the gap 4.27 seconds.

Graham took another win in Class B, just ahead of Andy & Rebecca's RS200. That - and a poor run for Douh & Noah - lifted Graham's Quattro up to third place. Oli still led the class, ahead of Andy & Rebecca in second.

After a third and a second, Ade made it onto the top step of the podium this time. The margin was just 0.07 over Alan W and 0.19 over Graham. Graham moved up to fifth overall, but the top four were unchanged. The gap between Alan B and Phil F was now just 0.02 seconds. The top seven were covered by a mere eight and a half seconds.



Jean's split screen coverage wowed viewers

SS6: Stage Results

1. Ade Child - Ford RS200
2. Alan Wilkinson - Renault Mégane
3. Graham Edwards - Renault Clio

Class A: Noah Passell - Subaru Impreza

Class B: Graham Edwards - Audi Quattro

Class C: Ade Child - Ford RS200

Full results overleaf >>>



RESULTS

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Stage Time	Gap to winner
1	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	17.41	
2	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	17.48	0.07
3	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	17.6	0.19
4	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	18.18	0.77
5	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	18.48	1.07
6	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	18.53	1.12
7	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	18.58	1.17
8	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	18.91	1.5
9	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	19.17	1.76
10	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	19.35	1.94
11	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	19.45	2.04
12	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	19.49	2.08
13	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	19.73	2.32
14	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	19.74	2.33
15	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	19.87	2.46
16	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	19.98	2.57
17	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	20.02	2.61
18	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	20.11	2.7
19	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	20.19	2.78
20	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	20.35	2.94
21	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	20.38	2.97
22	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	20.45	3.04
23	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	20.69	3.28
24	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	20.7	3.29
25	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	20.94	3.53
	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	20.94	3.53
27	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	21.28	3.87
28	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	21.47	4.06
29	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	21.54	4.13
30	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	21.7	4.29
31	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	22.14	4.73
32	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	22.17	4.76
33	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	22.83	5.42
34	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	22.95	5.54
35	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	23.09	5.68
36	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	23.63	6.22
37	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	25.19	7.78
38	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	26.09	8.68
39	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	27.23	9.82
40	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	28.49	11.08
41	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	29.03	11.62
42	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	29.56	12.15
43	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	29.7	12.29
44	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	31.58	14.17
45	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	40.06	22.65
46	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	42.39	24.98

OVERALL

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Overall Time	Gap to leader	
1	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	286.16		
2	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	286.18	0.02	
3	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	287.79	1.63	
4	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	289.63	3.47	
5	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	290.17	4.01	↑1
6	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	290.41	4.25	↓1
7	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	294.58	8.42	
8	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	298.81	12.65	
9	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	307.59	21.43	↑1
10	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	309.11	22.95	↓1
11	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	314.75	28.59	
12	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	318.94	32.78	
13	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	321.34	35.18	
14	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	326.28	40.12	
15	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	327.26	41.1	
16	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	330.55	44.39	↑1
17	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	332.03	45.87	↑1
18	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	332.34	46.18	↓2
19	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	334	47.84	
20	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	335.25	49.09	↑1
21	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	335.84	49.68	↓1
22	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	342.11	55.95	↑2
23	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	342.77	56.61	↓1
24	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	342.97	56.81	↑3
25	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	342.99	56.83	↑1
26	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	343.25	57.09	↓3
27	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	343.83	57.67	↑1
28	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	345.41	59.25	↑2
29	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	348.03	61.87	↓3
30	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	350.66	64.5	↑2
31	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	353.29	67.13	↑4
32	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	353.42	67.26	↑2
33	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	353.56	67.4	↓8
34	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	353.64	67.48	↓3
35	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	356.71	70.55	↑1
36	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	358.83	72.67	↑1
37	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	360.03	73.87	↓4
38	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	367.18	81.02	
39	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	372.08	85.92	↑1
40	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	376.27	90.11	↓1
41	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	381.63	95.47	↑1
42	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	382.08	95.92	↓1
43	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	382.47	96.31	↑1
44	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	398.15	111.99	↓1
45	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	406.58	120.42	
46	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	483.47	197.31	

STAGE 7

SS7: Martlets 2



Date: Saturday 20 February

Location: Worthing Host: Jean

The second run on the Martlets stage was a repeat of the first. Two laps on the fast Scalextric Sport layout gave us stage times of between 16 and 36 seconds.

The Race Coordinator program queued all the cars for the class, which kept Jean on his toes and helped him rattle through both his stages in an afternoon. This second stage was also streamed live using OBS software.



Jeremy was over the moon - his Peugeot took top spot in Class A

SS7: Stage Report

The Scalextric WRC cars were first through the stage and this time Jeremy grabbed Class A honours - his Peugeot 307 a quarter of a second quicker than Mike's Škoda. A third for Graham and a poor run for Noah stretched the gap between the two in the overall standings to 11.35 seconds. Jeremy was up to third.

Class B saw a third win in a row for Graham's Quattro, 0.051 seconds ahead of Andy & Rebecca's RS200. Oli lost just under a second, but held on to his overall lead - the gap was down to six seconds and Graham was now in third, eight and a half seconds behind Oli.

The stage win went to Alan W, but the gap to Graham was the smallest possible - Race Coordinator called it at 0.001 seconds! Ade is becoming a fixture on the podium, his third place moving him inexorably towards the top ten in the standings.

After seven of the eleven stages, we had the two Alans at the top - Birchmore leading Wilkinson by 0.17 seconds. Phil F was a further 0.09 back and Graham had moved up to fourth, two and a half seconds behind the leader. The top six were covered by a mere 4.57 seconds.

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Martlets Rally

Martlets-ClassC Stage-7

Ade Child (Ade Child):
Race Record Score
Dylan Passell (Dylan Passell):
Current Race Best Lap
Ade Child (Ade Child):

Pos	Driver	Score	Laps	Avg Lap	Best Lap	Gap 1st	Gap 2nd
1	Alan Wilkinson	16.86	2.00	8.429	7.893		
2	Graham Edwards	16.86	2.00	8.430	7.957	+0.001	
3	Ade Child	17.27	2.00	8.637	7.746	+0.415	+0.415

The winning margin was 0.001 seconds on Stage 7



SS7: Stage Results

1. Alan Wilkinson - Renault Mégane
2. Graham Edwards - Renault Clio
3. Ade Child - Ford RS200

Class A: Jeremy Belcher - Peugeot 307

Class B: Graham Edwards - Audi Quattro

Class C: Alan Wilkinson - Renault Mégane

Full results overleaf >>>

RESULTS

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Stage Time	Gap to winner
1	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	16.86	
2	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	16.86	0.001
3	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	17.27	0.41
4	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	17.99	1.13
5	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	18.21	1.35
6	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	18.25	1.39
7	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	18.32	1.46
8	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	18.56	1.7
9	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	18.64	1.78
10	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	18.77	1.91
11	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	19.03	2.17
12	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	19.19	2.33
13	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	19.27	2.41
14	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	19.31	2.45
15	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	19.52	2.66
16	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	19.6	2.74
17	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	19.7	2.84
18	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	19.72	2.86
19	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	19.75	2.89
20	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	20.09	3.23
21	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	20.35	3.49
22	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	20.37	3.51
23	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	20.38	3.52
24	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	20.54	3.68
25	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	20.55	3.69
26	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	20.58	3.72
27	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	20.66	3.8
28	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	20.69	3.83
29	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	20.82	3.96
30	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	20.93	4.07
31	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	20.94	4.08
32	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	20.95	4.09
33	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	21.07	4.21
34	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Polcar Subaru BRZ	C	21.28	4.42
35	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	21.68	4.82
36	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	21.76	4.9
37	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	22.4	5.54
38	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	22.48	5.62
39	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	23.48	6.62
40	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	23.95	7.09
41	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	25.02	8.16
42	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	27.46	10.6
43	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	29.72	12.86
44	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	33.94	17.08
45	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	34.66	17.8
46	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	36.82	19.96

OVERALL

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Overall Time	Gap to leader	
1	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	304.48		
2	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	304.65	0.17	↑1
3	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	304.74	0.26	↓1
4	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	307.03	2.55	↑1
5	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	308.94	4.46	↓1
6	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	309.05	4.57	
7	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	313.77	9.29	
8	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	317.58	13.1	
9	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	325.8	21.32	
10	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	328.83	24.35	
11	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	332.02	27.54	
12	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	338.46	33.98	
13	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	342.27	37.79	
14	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	346.29	41.81	↑1
15	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	346.66	42.18	↓1
16	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	352.4	47.92	↑1
17	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	354.52	50.04	↑3
18	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	354.58	50.1	↑1
19	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	355.82	51.34	↑1
20	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	356.53	52.05	↑1
21	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	358.01	53.53	↓5
22	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	362.08	57.6	↑5
23	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	362.72	58.24	↑1
24	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	362.86	58.38	↓1
25	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	362.93	58.45	↓3
26	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	364.67	60.19	↓1
27	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	365.11	60.63	↑1
28	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	368.27	63.79	↓2
29	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	372.89	68.41	↑2
30	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	374.49	70.01	↑2
31	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	374.51	70.03	↑2
32	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	374.58	70.1	↑2
33	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	374.61	70.13	↓3
34	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	377.26	72.78	↑1
35	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	379.37	74.89	↑1
36	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	380.38	75.9	↑1
37	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	382.69	78.21	↓8
38	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	388.46	83.98	
39	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	390.07	85.59	
40	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	396.93	92.45	
41	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	404.03	99.55	
42	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	404.23	99.75	↑1
43	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	411.8	107.32	↓1
44	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	429.06	124.58	↑1
45	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	432.09	127.61	↓1
46	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	520.29	215.81	

The RAC Rally in Brighton

From its first running in 1932, the RAC Rally started or ended in Brighton three times - in 1939, 1951 and 1961. Other Sussex destinations were Eastbourne (twice) and Hastings (eight times). Blackpool and Bournemouth featured most years. The concentration on seaside resorts was a nod to the Monte Carlo Rally - an opportunity to bring in well-to-do customers during the off-season to boost the local economy.

In the early years - up until the 1960s - the RAC Rally of Great Britain was very different to what we think of a rally today. It was more of a jolly jaunt across the country on public roads, interspersed by the occasional speed test at private venues. The pivotal year of transition was 1961 - the final visit of the RAC Rally to Brighton.

The 1961 event featured 200 miles of special stages on Forestry Commission land. This transformed the whole character of the rally - it became a real test of driver and machine, with the final result dependent on the arduous tests of the forests rather than the mickey-mouse manoeuvres at race tracks and on seafront promenades.

The class act of 1961 was the reigning champion Erik Carlsson in his little Saab 96 (right). He arrived in Brighton a country mile ahead of future wife Pat Moss (below right, with co-driver Ann Wisdom) driving one of the big Healey 3000s. Although the RAC rally had taken a giant leap forward, it still ended with a rather underwhelming spectacle on Madeira Drive. As the December 1961 report in Motor Sport magazine put it,

"The driving test was utterly boring and very badly planned, the drivers having to run the whole length of Madeira Drive, diverting themselves a couple of times to enter two chicanes, which were pathetically slow, and finally to swing round a post in a box at the finish and accelerate into another box and brake to a standstill. Very dull stuff for the few spectators who had braved the biting wind to see the world's top rally drivers show their skill, and not a fitting end to a Rally which was unanimously declared as the best ever R.A.C. Rally."

Despite the anti-climax and foul weather endured by spectators, the drivers and teams enjoyed their end-of-rally celebrations and award ceremony at the Art Deco Ocean Hotel in nearby Saltdean. The evening didn't end well - the Morley brothers' Austin Healey was stolen from the street outside...

Historian of the RAC Rally Maurice Hamilton identifies the 1961 event as a moment when the rally earned new-found respect at home and abroad: organiser Jack Kemsley had ushered in a new era of professionalism.

The seaside resorts fell off the schedule and names such as Kielder, Redesdale, Kershope, Staindale, Dovey and Radnor - all first used in 1961 - would symbolise a new type of event. The 'Rally of the Tests' had become the 'Rally of the Forests'.

The RAC quickly became one of the toughest rallies on the international calendar, host to exciting and dramatic end-of-season battles through the decades since 1961. That final trip to Brighton might be an insignificant footnote to that history, but it's one worth remembering.

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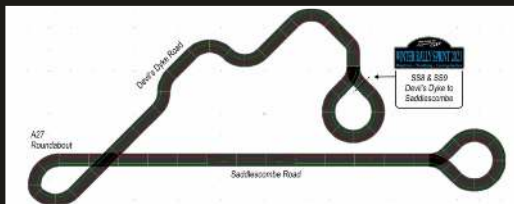
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Finish BRIGHTON 18th Nov. 1961



STAGE 8

SS8: Devil's Dyke 1



Date: Saturday 27 February

Location: Brighton Host: Andy

The Devil's Dyke Hillclimb is made with SCX Classic track, including an ice-effect chicane. It emulates the run from Saddlescombe to the Devil's Dyke pub via the A27 roundabout. The hill rises from ground level to three feet in around fifteen feet, with one particularly steep gradient halfway up the hill, just before the fir trees.

The stage was run over four 'laps' and timed using the LapTracker app.



David's Lancia Rally 037 was top-ten material on this stage

SS8: Stage Report

The hillclimb was an enormous amount of fun to plan and build.

Driving it was generally fantastic, although seven cars failed to set a time. There were two mechanicals, plus five guides that didn't cooperate with the shallow SCX classic slot, combined with some sharp elevations.

It was a fast stage and Rebecca's Ford Focus carried on its good form from Jean's to grab Class A honours. Graham was second and Doug third - Graham extended his overall lead to nearly thirteen seconds.

Graham's winning streak in the Scalextric Group B class continued. Oli was one of the cars to have major problems and that handed Graham the overall Class B lead. Clive's Lancia and David & Dylan's Metro were second and third, moving up to third and fourth overall.

This stage also had an impact on the Class C standings. Graham and Phil finished first and second on the stage - separated by just 0.03 of a second - and grabbed the top two places on the leaderboard. Leo's S4 took a fine podium place and moved into the top ten. Many of the front-runners lost some time, but it was Alan W who lost the most - 33 seconds - dropping him down to eighth overall. A brutal afternoon on the hill.



Simon's Mini was great fun on the hillclimb



SS8: Stage Results

1. Graham Edwards - Renault Clio
2. Phil Barry - Porsche 914/6 GT
3. Leo Capaldi - Lancia Delta S4

Class A: Rebecca Shtasel - Ford Focus

Class B: Graham Edwards - Audi Quattro

Class C: Graham Edwards - Renault Clio

Full results overleaf >>>

RESULTS

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Stage Time	Gap to winner
1	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	56.89	
2	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	56.92	0.03
3	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	57.62	0.73
4	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	59.23	2.34
5	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	61.13	4.24
6	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	61.16	4.27
7	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	63.67	6.78
8	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	64.47	7.58
9	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	65.37	8.48
10	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	65.97	9.08
11	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	68.56	11.67
12	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	68.72	11.83
13	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	68.77	11.88
	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	68.77	11.88
15	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	69.14	12.25
16	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	70.01	13.12
17	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	70.54	13.65
18	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	70.64	13.75
	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	70.64	13.75
20	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	70.93	14.04
21	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	71.18	14.29
22	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	72.93	16.04
23	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	73.68	16.79
24	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	74.6	17.71
25	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	75.44	18.55
26	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	79.47	22.58
27	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	80.45	23.56
28	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	84.76	27.87
29	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	88.8	31.91
30	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	89.92	33.03
31	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	93.67	36.78
32	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	94.09	37.2
33	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	94.75	37.86
34	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	103	46.11
35	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	104.4	47.51
36	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	109.5	52.61
37	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	113.2	56.31
38	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	114.4	57.51
39	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	118.2	61.31
40	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	180	123.11
	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	180	123.11
	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	180	123.11
	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	180	123.11
	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	180	123.11
	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	180	123.11
	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	180	123.11

OVERALL

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Overall Time	Gap to leader	
1	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	363.92		↑3
2	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	365.86	1.94	↑3
3	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	368.15	4.23	↓2
4	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	374.42	10.5	↑2
5	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	375.38	11.46	↓2
6	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	378.71	14.79	↑2
7	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	391.25	27.33	↑4
8	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	394.57	30.65	↓6
9	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	399.37	35.45	↑1
10	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	399.89	35.97	↑3
11	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	415.22	51.3	↑4
12	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	418.99	55.07	↑5
13	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	421.54	57.62	↑3
14	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	423.35	59.43	↑4
15	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	428.02	64.1	↑6
16	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	432.62	68.7	↑6
17	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	433.39	69.47	↑9
18	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	435.09	71.17	↓4
19	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	435.75	71.83	↑8
20	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	435.86	71.94	↑5
21	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	440.58	76.66	↓2
22	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	443.23	79.31	↑12
23	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	443.71	79.79	↑5
24	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	447.96	84.04	↓12
25	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	448.75	84.83	↑8
26	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	449.18	85.26	↑6
27	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	453.34	89.42	↑2
28	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	454.06	90.14	↑8
29	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	456.81	92.89	↓6
30	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	458.84	94.92	↑9
31	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	469.24	105.32	↓1
32	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	474.96	111.04	↑9
33	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	477.26	113.34	↓9
34	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	482.98	119.06	↑9
35	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	493.77	129.85	↓28
36	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	498.32	134.4	↑6
37	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	505.8	141.88	↓28
38	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	515.13	151.21	↑2
39	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	533.46	169.54	↑5
40	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	536.53	172.61	↓20
41	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	545.29	181.37	↑4
42	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	554.51	190.59	↓11
43	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	559.37	195.45	↓8
44	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	562.69	198.77	↓7
45	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	568.46	204.54	↓7
46	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	623.29	259.37	

STAGE 9

SS9: Devil's Dyke 2



Date: Sunday 28 February

Location: Brighton Host: Andy

The second run on the hillclimb was the same as the first - except the start time was 6am and the stage began in the dark.

The entire stage was also streamed live on Facebook, the camera positioned at the top of the hill, looking down. A link to the video is on the opening post of the SlotRacer thread.

Cars were timed over four 'laps' of the track.



The stage started in near-darkness. Andy Davis' Stratos ready to go.

SS9: Stage Report The UK Slot Rally cars were the first through the stage in near-darkness. Some quick overnight fixes meant every car set a time, although a few still struggled. Graham won the stage, just ahead of Phil B's Porsche - and they remain the top two in the standings, separated by 2.3 seconds. Sebastian was third on the stage and is five seconds off a podium place with two stages to go. Gill was an excellent fourth - her JS chassied Escort Cosworth probably the quickest car on the Saddlescombe Road.

The Class B Scalextric Group B cars came next. Andy & Rebecca's RS200 won the class, finishing eight overall. Clive's Lancia and David & Dylan's Metro were - again - second and third. Graham holds a 28 second lead overall, but the battle for the other podium places will go down to the wire.

In daylight, Graham's Subaru won Class A - Clive's Impreza and Andy's Maxi Mégane completing the podium. Graham has an 18 second lead over Noah, with Doug close behind.

It was a bit sad dismantling the hillclimb - it was so much fun to drive and also dramatic for the event standings. It will be back.



Graham's Subaru stretched its lead in Class A



SS9: Stage Results

1. Graham Edwards - Renault Clio
2. Phil Barry - Porsche 914/6 GT
3. Sebastian Birchmore - Mitsubishi Lancer

Class A: Graham Edwards - Subaru Impreza

Class B: Andy & Rebecca - Ford RS200

Class C: Graham Edwards - Renault Clio

Full results overleaf >>>

RESULTS

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Stage Time	Gap to winner
1	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	55.56	
2	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	55.92	0.36
3	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	61.86	6.3
4	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	62.2	6.64
5	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	62.83	7.27
6	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	63	7.44
7	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	63.06	7.5
8	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	63.63	8.07
9	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	63.83	8.27
10	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	64.06	8.5
11	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	64.93	9.37
12	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	65.13	9.57
13	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	65.53	9.97
14	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	66.37	10.81
15	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	67.2	11.64
16	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	67.47	11.91
17	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	67.5	11.94
18	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	67.7	12.14
	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	67.7	12.14
20	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	68.44	12.88
21	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	68.54	12.98
22	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	69.5	13.94
23	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	69.6	14.04
24	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	69.9	14.34
25	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	70.1	14.54
26	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	70.47	14.91
27	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	72.57	17.01
28	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	72.97	17.41
29	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	73.87	18.31
30	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	75.48	19.92
31	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	75.81	20.25
32	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	75.98	20.42
33	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	76.14	20.58
34	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	76.94	21.38
35	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	78.18	22.62
36	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	81.65	26.09
37	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	83.88	28.32
38	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	84.95	29.39
39	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	86.35	30.79
40	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	86.89	31.33
41	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	89.69	34.13
42	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	99.3	43.74
43	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	103.7	48.14
44	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	111.8	56.24
45	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	115	59.44
46	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	143.1	87.54

OVERALL

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Overall Time	Gap to leader
1	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	419.48	
2	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	421.78	2.3
3	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	430.98	11.5
4	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	436.28	16.8
5	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	440.31	20.83
6	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	448.31	28.83
7	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	454.25	34.77
8	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	466.26	46.78 ↑2
9	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	467.07	47.59
10	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	467.14	47.66 ↓2
11	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	479.28	59.8
12	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	485.37	65.89 ↑1
13	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	486.69	67.21 ↓1
14	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	491.79	72.31
15	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	494.82	75.34 ↑1
16	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	497.52	78.04 ↓1
17	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	503.49	84.01
18	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	504.29	84.81 ↑1
19	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	508.84	89.36 ↑4
20	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	510.9	91.42 ↓2
21	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	511.34	91.86 ↓1
22	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	513.13	93.65
23	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	519.04	99.56 ↑2
24	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	523.05	103.57 ↑2
25	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	524.46	104.98 ↓4
26	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	524.53	105.05 ↑2
27	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	526.14	106.66 ↓3
28	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	532.95	113.47 ↑1
29	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	534.99	115.51 ↓2
30	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	542.43	122.95 ↑2
31	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	543.79	124.31 ↓1
32	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	545.22	125.74 ↑1
33	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	550.48	131 ↑1
34	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	559.3	139.82 ↑1
35	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	563.61	144.13 ↓3
36	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	574.46	154.98
37	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	578.77	159.29
38	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	604.82	185.34
39	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	629.89	210.41 ↑5
40	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	631.45	211.97 ↑2
41	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	632.18	212.7
42	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	637.16	217.68 ↓3
43	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	667.76	248.28 ↑2
44	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	674.37	254.89 ↓1
45	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	679.63	260.15 ↓5
46	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	735.09	315.61

GALLERY



GALLERY



STAGE 10

SS10: Falmer Rally Cross 2



Date: Thursday 4 March

Location: Brighton Host: Andy

The Falmer Rally Cross stage is built with Ninco track - a mix of standard and off-road pieces - and is a slight variation on the 'big' Ninco sets of the early 2000s. The layout was run clockwise for Stage 1 and anti-clockwise for Stage 10 - changing the flow of the tarmac section and making the off-road section slightly less challenging for most of the cars.

The stage ran over 8 laps of both lanes.



Leo's RS200 was on cracking form, winning the DPR Group B class

SS10: Stage Report

There was trepidation before this penultimate stage - the first run on the Ninco off-road section had been challenging for many cars. Although running the layout in the opposite direction did change the characteristics of the stage, it didn't alter the outcome very much.

The Class A cars went first, Graham finishing ahead of Clive and Noah in a Subaru 1-2-3. That gave Graham an almost unassailable lead in the class standings, with Noah second and then Dylan and Rebecca fighting for the final podium place.

Class B saw a welcome win for Leo's Ford RS200 - a car that hadn't really delivered so far, but beat Doug & Noah's rejuvenated Audi by 2 seconds. Paul's RS200 was third. Graham still leads the class, followed by Rebecca & Andy's Ford and then David & Dylan's Metro - less than a second ahead of Clive's Lancia S4.

Alan W took a fine stage win. The podium was the same as Stage 1, with Alan and Andy swapping places. Further back, Phil B has a good run and Graham didn't. Phil now leads the rally by 2.74 seconds with just one stage to go!



Phil's Porsche leads the event after Stage 10



SS10: Stage Results

1. Alan Wilkinson - Renault Mégane
2. Andy Player - Subaru Impreza
3. Sebastian Birchmore - Mitsubishi Lancer

Class A: Graham Edwards - Subaru Impreza

Class B: Leo Capaldi - Ford RS200

Class C: Alan Wilkinson - Renault Mégane

Full results overleaf >>>

RESULTS

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Stage Time	Gap to winner
1	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	84.66	
2	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	85.78	1.12
3	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	87.43	2.77
4	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	87.75	3.09
5	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	89.87	5.21
6	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	91.95	7.29
7	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	92.23	7.57
8	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	92.79	8.13
9	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	92.91	8.25
10	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	97.39	12.73
11	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	98.83	14.17
12	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	99.03	14.37
13	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	100.6	15.94
14	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	100.9	16.24
15	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	103.6	18.94
16	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	104.6	19.94
17	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	108.2	23.54
18	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	108.7	24.04
19	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	108.9	24.24
20	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	110.3	25.64
21	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	110.4	25.74
22	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	110.6	25.94
23	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	111.1	26.44
24	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	112.4	27.74
25	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	112.6	27.94
26	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	113.6	28.94
27	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	114	29.34
28	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	114.2	29.54
29	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	114.8	30.14
30	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	115	30.34
31	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	115.2	30.54
32	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	115.4	30.74
33	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	115.6	30.94
34	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	116.8	32.14
	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	116.8	32.14
36	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	123.5	38.84
37	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	124	39.34
38	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	125.6	40.94
39	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	128.9	44.24
40	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	129.8	45.14
41	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	135.8	51.14
42	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	138.5	53.84
43	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	144.2	59.54
44	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	144.3	59.64
45	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	150.4	65.74
46	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	151.8	67.14

OVERALL

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Overall Time	Gap to leader
1	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	509.53	↑1
2	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	512.27	2.74 ↓1
3	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	520.85	11.32
4	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	523.71	14.18
5	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	532.26	22.73
6	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	545.7	36.17
7	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	551.8	42.27 ↑3
8	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	558.49	48.96
9	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	566.85	57.32 ↓2
10	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	567.97	58.44 ↓1
11	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	578.11	68.58
12	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	587.59	78.06 ↑1
13	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	592.39	82.86 ↑1
14	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	593.57	84.04 ↓2
15	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	606.22	96.69 ↑1
16	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	621.24	111.71 ↑3
17	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	621.5	111.97 ↑3
18	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	624.94	115.41 ↑3
19	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	629.93	120.4 ↑3
20	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	630.62	121.09 ↓5
21	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	633.19	123.66 ↓3
22	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	633.29	123.76 ↓5
23	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	634.24	124.71
24	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	634.76	125.23 ↑1
25	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	638.45	128.92 ↑1
26	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	640.94	131.41 ↑1
27	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	648.15	138.62 ↑1
28	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	652.21	142.68 ↑6
29	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	665.68	156.15 ↑4
30	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	666.43	156.9
31	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	673.49	163.96 ↓2
32	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	676.33	166.8 ↓6
33	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	677.8	168.27 ↑4
34	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	678.61	169.08 ↑1
35	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	683.36	173.83 ↑1
36	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	688.09	178.56 ↓5
37	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	695.62	186.09 ↓5
38	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	721.62	212.09
39	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	734.49	224.96
40	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	742.55	233.02
41	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	757.78	248.25
42	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	771.36	261.83 ↑1
43	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	781.36	271.83 ↓1
44	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	788.37	278.84
45	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	803.13	293.6
46	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	850.69	341.16

Live Stream a Stage

The coverage of the Winter Rally-Sprint was a mix of traditional pictures and words, a bit of edited video thrown in - plus some experiments at live streaming. Both Oli and Andy set up a single camera (or phone) to stream direct to a Facebook event. That's a pretty simple and convenient way to give entrants a view of their cars in action. As Jeremy said on the forum thread

"For us beginners, it really helps to actually see (and hear!) your car running and, in my case, then see what 'good' looks and sounds like."

However, for stages 6 and 7 Jean really went to town with three cameras and timing at the top (see right). Everyone who saw it was utterly impressed!

So much so, Jason did a little research and posted a guide on SlotRacer Online explaining how to set up a similar stream using software such as OBS - which is what Jean used. The software runs on a home computer and is not as complicated as you might expect.

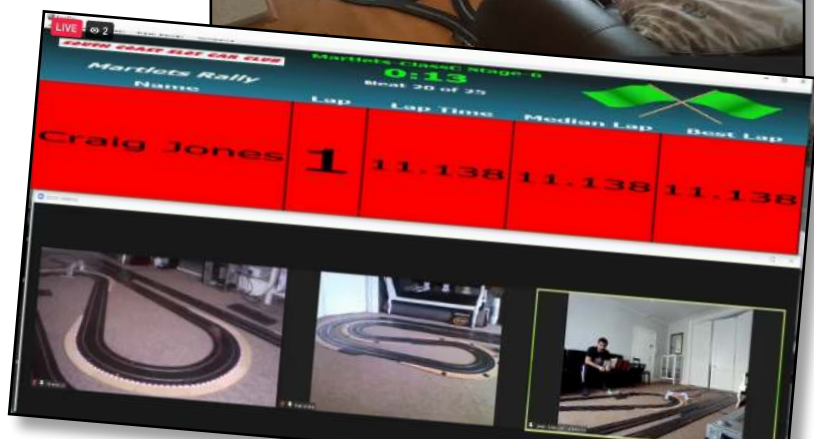
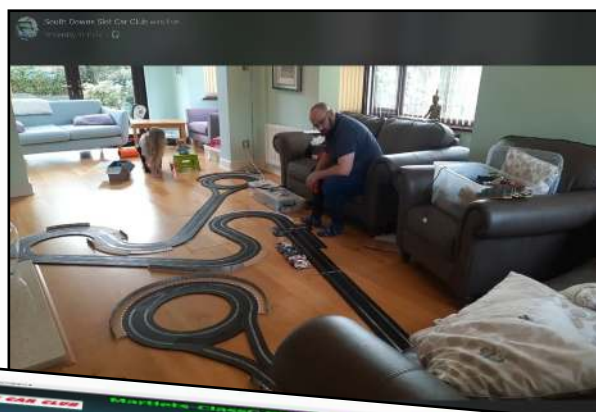
Jason played with OBS software and the screen layout is shown in the image, right. The main area is what will be visible in the broadcast. Different elements can be arranged and sized easily.

The screens at the bottom are familiar to anyone who has used video editing software. Jason went on to create a short film using video clips he already had and lap timing from Ultimate Racer. You can watch it at SlotRacer Online or on YouTube (https://youtu.be/Sgjf-8N_dWA).

As Jason pointed out, getting to grips with the software and then producing a live broadcast for streaming on Facebook or Youtube is going to take a little bit of practice - but it certainly would be worth the effort! Having someone at an event with the sole task of looking after the stream might be a good idea. We were lucky that both Oli and Jean had the experience of streaming and the confidence to use their skills for their stages.

So what kit do you need for a full-on split screen broadcast?

- Up to three USB webcams, preferably HD and manual/fixed focus
- A PC or laptop running Windows 8 or 10 / a Mac running OS 10.13 or higher
- OBS Studio software
- Broadband internet access
- A Facebook or YouTube account



STAGE 11

SS11: Pavilion Ice Rink



Date: Sunday 7 March 2021

Location: Brighton Host: Andy

The Brighton Pavilion Ice Rink is a small routed foamboard / copper tape layout, a lap measuring 13.25 feet. Tight, twisty and with a low-grip surface, the cars were timed over 15 laps using the iPhone LapTracker app.

In normal winters, an ice rink is formed in front of the historic Royal Pavilion in Brighton. It would be an ideal setting for the end of a real-life Winter Rally-Sprint.



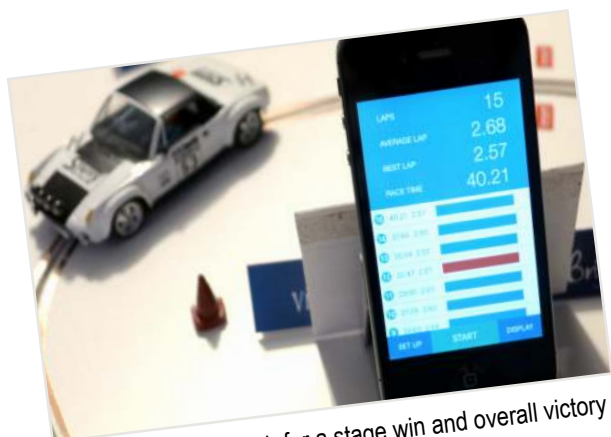
Noah's Escort RS1800 on the ice in front of the Royal Pavilion

SS11: Stage Report Streamed live on Facebook (at least, most of it...) and with an attentive audience, there was a certain pressure on the host not to mess things up. All the classes ran in reverse order, ramping up the drama for podium places and the overall win.

Class A saw another win for Graham, but all eyes were on third, fourth and fifth overall - Dylan successfully defended his podium place and Doug nearly pipped Rebecca to fourth... the gap nine hundredths of a second. On the stage, the podium was Graham, Noah and Paul.

Class B also had a battle for third overall. The stage was won by Graham's Audi, with Doug & Noah's Audi second and Andy & Rebecca's RS200 third. David & Dylan's sixth was enough for third in the standings.

Class C started with some hard-to-handle cars. The live feed went down for the top ten, but resumed just in time to see the two main protagonists fight for the win. Graham's 40.51 was second quickest at that point, but Phil Barry went 0.3 of a second faster to win his first stage and the Rally-Sprint. Phil Field was second on the stage - Alan Birchmore comfortably held on to third overall.



Phil's run was enough for a stage win and overall victory



SS11: Stage Results

1. Phil Barry - Porsche 914/6 GT
2. Phil Field - Citroën C4
3. Graham Edwards - Renault Clio

Class A: Graham Edwards - Subaru Impreza

Class B: Graham Edwards - Audi Quattro

Class C: Phil Barry - Porsche 914/6 GT

Full results overleaf >>>

RESULTS

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Stage Time	Gap to winner
1	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	40.21	
2	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	40.44	0.23
3	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	40.51	0.3
4	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	40.64	0.43
5	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	41.04	0.83
6	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	41.17	0.96
7	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	42.38	2.17
8	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	42.74	2.53
9	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	43.11	2.9
10	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	43.31	3.1
11	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	43.41	3.2
12	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	43.44	3.23
	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	43.44	3.23
14	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	44.04	3.83
15	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	44.28	4.07
16	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	44.34	4.13
17	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	44.58	4.37
18	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	44.85	4.64
19	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	45.01	4.8
20	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	45.35	5.14
21	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	45.51	5.3
22	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	45.81	5.6
23	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	46.05	5.84
24	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	46.28	6.07
25	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	46.31	6.1
26	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	47.45	7.24
27	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	47.61	7.4
28	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	47.95	7.74
	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	47.95	7.74
30	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	48.02	7.81
31	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	48.15	7.94
	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	48.15	7.94
33	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	48.28	8.07
34	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	48.48	8.27
35	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	48.62	8.41
36	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	49.52	9.31
37	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	49.65	9.44
38	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	49.85	9.64
39	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	50.08	9.87
40	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	50.12	9.91
41	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	50.42	10.21
42	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	50.68	10.47
43	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	51.89	11.68
44	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	54.29	14.08
45	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	77.28	37.07
46	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	180	139.79

FINAL RESULTS

#	Driver(s)	Car	Class	Overall Time	Gap to winner	
1	C3 Phil Barry	SRC Porsche 914/6	C	549.74		
2	C7 Graham Edwards	NSR Renault Clio	C	552.78	3.04	
3	C12 Alan Birchmore	Ninco Citroën C4	C	561.89	12.15	
4	C14 Sebastian Birchmore	Ninco Mitsubishi Lancer	C	566.45	16.71	
5	C15 Phil Field	Ninco Citroën C4	C	572.7	22.96	
6	C11 Kevin Veitch	Powerslot Nissan 350Z	C	589.98	40.24	
7	C10 Alan Wilkinson	Ninco / Slot.it Renault Mégane	C	592.44	42.7	
8	C2 Leo Capaldi	SRC Lancia Delta S4	C	601.8	52.06	
9	C9 Ade Child	Scaleauto Ford RS200	C	608.02	58.28	
10	C13 Andy Player	Ninco Subaru Impreza	C	613.78	64.04	
11	A3 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	621.22	71.48	
12	C23 David Passell	Scalextric Lancia 037	C	633.4	83.66	
13	C5 Duncan Skelt	SCX Ford RS200	C	639.84	90.1	
14	C6 Paul Cooper	SCX Lancia Delta Integrale	C	641.72	91.98	
15	A11 Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	650.26	100.52	
16	A12 Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	A	670.29	120.55	↑2
17	C1 Clive Mills	SCX Alpine A110	C	671.09	121.35	↓1
18	C22 Doug Passell	Scalextric Ferrari F40	C	672.18	122.44	↓1
19	A6 Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	A	677.54	127.8	
20	A9 Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	677.63	127.89	↑2
21	B4 Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	677.77	128.03	
22	A5 Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	A	680.07	130.33	↑1
23	C8 Gill Child	Scalextric / JS Ford Escort Cosworth	C	680.7	130.96	↓3
24	C25 Dylan Passell	SCX Seat Ibiza Kit Car	C	682.78	133.04	
25	C24 Noah Passell	SCX Ford Escort RS1800	C	684.38	134.64	↑1
26	A10 David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	A	687.27	137.53	↓1
27	B5 Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	694.43	144.69	
28	C20 Craig Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Citroën DS3	C	695.62	145.88	
29	B8 David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	B	713.63	163.89	
30	B1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	B	714.91	165.17	
31	A4 Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	721.34	171.6	↑1
32	C4 Simon Coombes	SCX BMW M1	C	723.01	173.27	↓1
33	A7 Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	A	724.92	175.18	↑1
34	C21 Steve Jones	SCX / Red Dragon Fiat 131	C	727.45	177.71	↓1
35	B2 Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	729.64	179.9	
36	A2 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	A	739.06	189.32	↑1
37	C18 Peter & Jerome Burley	SRC Ford Capri RS2600	C	742.38	192.64	↓1
38	B6 Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	B	772.04	222.3	
39	A1 Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	782.44	232.7	
40	B7 Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	787.4	237.66	
41	A8 Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	A	809.67	259.93	
42	C17 Rebecca Shtasel	Policar Subaru BRZ	C	821.48	271.74	
43	B3 Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	B	834.42	284.68	↑1
44	B9 Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	B	851.75	302.01	↑1
45	C19 Simon Kendall	Carrera Mini Countryman WRC	C	927.97	378.23	↑1
46	C16 Mike Scott	SCX Toyota Celica	C	961.36	411.62	↓3

FINAL RESULTS



After six weeks of racing on eleven exciting special stages, our first WHO Winter Rally-Sprint winner was crowned...

Congratulations to Phil Barry!

Phil's first reaction: "Wow - that's a shocker - many thanks lads. Superb event, very well run, presentation was top notch."

And later, on the podium: "Massive thanks to the organisers and all who ran the stages, my thanks to Steve Wright from Staffs Slot Cars for trusting me to prepare the Porsche. We look forward to (hopefully) running a live rally at Wye Valley in July."

After the dust has settled, it's time to look at some of the stats of the race and then summarise classes A & B on the next page...



Route Details

- Start: Brighton - Stage 1
- Leg 1: Goring-by-Sea - Stages 2-5
- Leg 2: Worthing - Stages 6 & 7
- Leg 3: Brighton - Stages 8-11

Winter Rally-Sprint Leaders

SS1 Alan Wilkinson; SS2 Alan Birchmore; SS3 Alan Wilkinson; SS4-7 Alan Birchmore; SS8-9 Graham Edwards; SS10-11 Phil Barry



Finishing Lines...

It was a quite breath-taking race over the eleven stages. The variety of surfaces and stage lengths kept throwing curve-balls and breaking hearts. Between them, Alan Wilkinson and Graham Edwards won more than half the stages, but neither of them could beat the Wye Valley contingent - although it was very close. Alan Birchmore led the event for five stages - more than anyone else - but he had to settle for the final place on the podium.

Phil Barry's Porsche seemed to sit and watch the early skirmishes. Always there or thereabouts, the little 914 took two second places on the hillclimb and then leapfrogged Graham on the penultimate stage, wrapping things up with his only stage win. Perfect timing.

Failed to finish a stage

SS8: Doug & Noah Passell (Audi Quattro), Rebecca Shtasel (Subaru BRZ), Oli Abbott (Audi Quattro), Paul Cooper (Ford RS200), Craig Jones (Citroën DS3), Steve Jones (Fiat 131), Clive Mills (Subaru Impreza).

SS11: Mike Scott (Toyota Celica)

Special Stage Analysis

Driver	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Alan Wilkinson	3	2		1	1
Graham Edwards	3	1	2		1
Phil Barry	1	3		2	1
Ade Child	1	1	2	1	
Andy Player	1	1	1		
Sebastian Birchmore	1		3	1	1
Alan Birchmore	1			2	3
Craig Jones	1			1	
Phil Field		2	2	1	
Leo Capaldi			1		
Kevin Veitch				1	1
Gill Child				1	
Pete & Jerome Burley				1	
Steve Jones					2

FINAL RESULTS

Class A

Clive led Class A after the first stage, Graham drawing level in Stage 2 and then pulled away from the field. As Clive's Subaru faltered, Noah's Impreza became Graham's closest challenger. Dylan, Rebecca and Doug all had a chance of the final podium place going into the ice rink finale - it was the youngster who grabbed the bronze medal.



	Driver	Car	Overall Time	Gap to leader	1st	2nd	3rd
1	Graham Edwards	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	621.22		5	2	2
2	Noah Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	650.26	29.04	2		2
3	Dylan Passell	Scalextric Toyota Corolla	670.29	49.07			
4	Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford Focus	677.54	56.32	1	1	
5	Doug Passell	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	677.63	56.41	1	2	2
6	Andy Player	Scalextric Renault Maxi Mégane	680.07	58.85			2
7	David Passell	Scalextric Ford Escort Cosworth	687.27	66.05			
8	Mike Scott	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	721.34	100.12		1	1
9	Jeremy Belcher	Scalextric Peugeot 307	724.92	103.7	1	1	
10	Paul Cooper	Scalextric Škoda Fabia	739.06	117.84	1	1	2
11	Clive Mills	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	782.44	161.22	1	2	
12	Simon Kendall	Scalextric Subaru Impreza	809.67	188.45			

Class B

There were dashed hopes in the Scalextric DPR Group B class. Oli built up a sizeable gap in the Goring stages, only to be thwarted by the Devil's Dyke Hillclimb. Graham had made steady inroads into the lead after a mediocre start, but the falling away of the two other Audis left Andy & Rebecca's RS200 as the only challenger - but stymied by the 'host advantage' rules. David & Dylan beat Clive to third in a thrilling final few stages. Leo picked up a win late on, but his RS200 was surprisingly off the pace



	Driver	Car	Overall Time	Gap to leader	1st	2nd	3rd
1	Graham Edwards	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	677.77		5	1	1
2	Andy Player / Rebecca Shtasel	Scalextric Ford RS200	694.43	16.66	2	2	4
3	David & Dylan Passell	Scalextric MG 6R4 Metro	713.63	35.86			2
4	Clive Mills	Scalextric Lancia Delta S4	714.91	37.14		2	1
5	Leo Capaldi	Scalextric Ford RS200	729.64	51.87	1		
6	Andy Davis	Scalextric Lancia Stratos	772.04	94.27			
7	Doug & Noah Passell	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	787.4	109.63	1	3	
8	Paul Cooper	Scalextric Ford RS200	834.42	156.65		1	2
9	Oli Abbott	Scalextric Audi Sport Quattro	851.75	173.98	2	2	1

AWARDS

Best In Show



Gaugemaster generously donated a prize for our Best in Show



Best in Show was voted by the event team - the four hosts, plus Stephen and Rebecca. Consideration was mostly on looks, but also driving enjoyment. Pete & Jerome's SRC Capri RS2600 (above) claimed top prize - followed very closely by Clive's lovely SCX Alpine (pictured right).

Joint third were Kevin's Powerslot Nissan 350Z and Noah's SCX Escort RS1800. Also on the list were Phil's SRC Porsche, Paul's SCX Lancia Delta Integrale, Ade's RS200 and Andy Davis' Scalextric Lancia Stratos.

A big thank you to everyone who sent cars for us to drive and to drool over. I am sure a few have been added to our shopping lists!



Manufacturers' Awards

Manufacturer	Entrant	Model
Carrera	Simon Kendall	Mini Countryman WRC
Ninco	Alan Birchmore	Citroën C4
NSR	Graham Edwards	Renault Clio
Policar	Rebecca Shtasel	Subaru BRZ
Powerslot	Kevin Veitch	Nissan 350Z
Scaleauto	Ade Child	Ford RS200
Scalextric	Graham Edwards	Subaru Impreza
SCX	Duncan Skelt	Ford RS200
SRC	Phil Barry	Porsche 914/6 GT

Top Junior Racer

Brothers Dylan and Noah were the only under-16s who entered cars this year. When their Class C cars fell away, the battle was between Dylan's steady Toyota Corolla and Noah's rapid Subaru. Both ended up on the Class A podium, but it was Noah who wins the junior medal.

Pat Moss Award

The Pat Moss Award is for the top female driver at the end of the Rally-Sprint. This year the award goes to Rebecca, whose Scalextric Ford Focus finished 3.16 seconds ahead of Gill's Ford Escort Cosworth. This was a battle that ebbed and flowed throughout the event.

AD BREAK

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Jadlams are one of the biggest Scalextric retailers in the UK.

Our Rally-Sprint winner received this BMW M3 as a prize and all entrants got a sheet of Jadlam stickers.



A big thank you to the companies and publications who supported our Winter Rally-Sprint.

This is a chance to remind you who they were - and encourage you to support them back.

Although events like ours can take place without any sponsorship or support, it always makes the experience of organising and participating a little bit more special.



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However, Gaugemaster are also the UK distributor of slot car brands including Slot.it, Policar, NSR, Racer Sideways, Fly, FlySlot, Slotwings, Ninco, SCX, Le Mans Miniatures, Professor Motor and Thunderslot.

The AutoFest slot car day takes place at the Engine Shed every October half-term - pandemics permitting.



Proxy Events 2021

There's no doubt that proxy racing is experiencing a bit of a renaissance at the moment. Clubs are closed and many racers are looking for alternatives. There's also been a massive influx of new and returning enthusiasts into our hobby.

We've hosted our HO proxy drag racing and the Winter Rally-Sprint on SlotRacer Online - and that's not a bad place to look for other proxy events happening this year. Members are also preparing cars to send to proxy events in North America and Australia, so you might be able to hitch a ride and share the postage costs.



The HO proxy drag races conclude their Winter Series this weekend. A full-year calendar of bi-monthly UK proxy events will run from May 2021 to March 2022. The Micro Scalextric Street Stock class runs every time - that's a cheap and accessible way to get involved. There's lots of scope to get deeper into HO drag racing - and we aim to make this a long-term programme of HO proxy drag racing in the UK.

Wye Valley are hoping to run their Summer and Winter Stages as live events this year. However, if that's not possible, they'll revert to proxy slot rallies as they did in 2020. Keep an eye on the Slot Rally UK Facebook page for these and other slot rally events.

Wye Valley



The Brighton to John o'Groats Road Race starts in April and will take place at venues from the south coast, through Wales and northern England into Scotland. There are several classes and all the info is on SlotRacer Online.



The EV Triathlon is made up of three disciplines - a rally stage, circuit sprint and a speed trial on a drag strip. It is for the Scalextric Jaguar I-Pace cars and will take place in Edinburgh during May. All the details are on SlotRacer Online.



Slot Rally in the UK

Slot car enthusiasts have been building rally stages and hillclimbs since the beginning of the hobby. Slot Rally - as a distinct and competitive strand - is more recent, becoming big in Spain during the 1990s and spreading to wherever in the world there were rally fans who raced slot cars.

The high point of slot rallying in the UK were the fabulous days of Slot Rally GB. This was a golden era through much of the 2000s and 2010s, inspired by the leadership of Gareth Jex and supported by the UK distributors of SCX and Ninco, amongst others. On the back of a national championship with rounds in Wales, the South and Midlands, rally stages took root at slot car clubs, swapmeets and at national gatherings such as the UK Slot Car Festival.

Anyone with an interest in slot cars couldn't fail to notice Slot Rally GB - the well-organised events, the amazing rally stages, slick publicity and manufacturer tie-ins gave the UK slot rally world a truly professional feel.

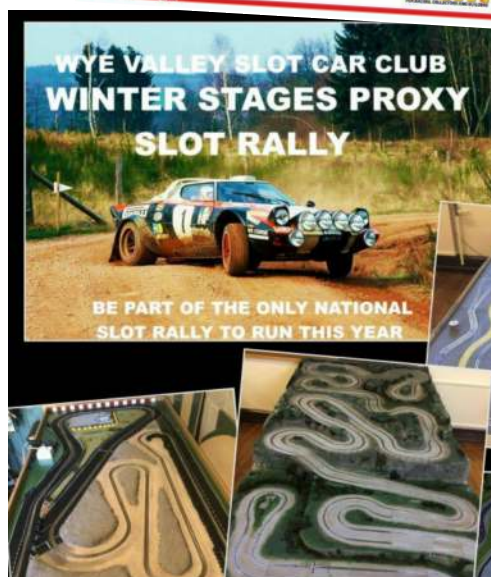
As with any great venture run by volunteers, Slot Rally GB faded - and now exists only as a Facebook group. Slot rallying has continued in the UK, especially at club level - the Wye Valley and Oxford clubs hosting regular open events run to nationally-agreed rules and classes.

During 2020, Wye Valley turned their summer and winter competitions into proxy events - attracting a few first-time slot rally entrants looking for some slot car racing action during the Coronavirus lockdown. Those were the events that inspired us to organise our Winter Rally-Sprint.

Essentially a slot rally is a race across various stages, each car running solo. At a live event, these stages are set up in a public hall - some hand-crafted works of art, others built there and then from plastic sectional track. Groups of racers work their way through the stages like a group of golfers would a golf course. Times are recorded on a scorecard and the driver finishing all the stages with the quickest time overall wins the rally. A proxy is similar - only the cars are driven by the host and the stages are usually in various different places.

Once the pandemic is over and we can all travel, meet and race together, live slot rally events will resume. It will be great to see some of the new proxy rally entrants joining in.

The best place to follow slot rally news is on the Slot Rally UK Facebook page and group. That's where you'll find the Slotrally Rules and Classes for 2021.



The Slotrally Rules and Classes 2021 will be used for the WHO Winter Rally-Sprint 2022, scheduled for January & February next year. In addition, we will run one Scalextric rally class and the new Teamslot Challenge.

Worthing HO Racing

We'd only just celebrated the club's tenth birthday when Coronavirus came along...

Let's hope we get back for a few HO and Scalextric digital race events this year - and then re-adjust to what might be a 'new normal' in 2022.

The proxy racing will continue, although it'll take a backseat to events at the Barn.

If you're not a WHO regular, take a look at our website - whoracing.org.uk - and follow us on Facebook to see what we get up to!



Pictures from our tenth birthday celebrations at the Barn - February 2020.



We've had loads of fun with our first 1:32 scale proxy event. Whatever happens with the pandemic, we'll be doing it again next year. We've learned loads and there were things we couldn't do this time because of the lockdown. We'd certainly like more members involved.

The provisional dates for 2022 will be Wednesday 19 January to Sunday 27 February. Cars need to arrive at Rally-Sprint HQ by Sunday 16 January.

Stages and classes will be tweaked, but we'll use 'Slotrally Rules and Classes 2021' for the main class, plus a single Scalextric rally class and the Teamslot Challenge - a new class supported by Teamslot distributor Staffs Slot Cars UK.



Keep an eye out on SlotRacer Online and the Worthing HO Racing Facebook page for more details.





19 January - 27 February 2022

Cars to arrive by 16 January

Class 1: Slotrally 2021

Class 2: Scalextric Rally Cars

Class 3: Teamslot Challenge



Keep your eyes peeled for news in the Proxy Racing forum at



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Rally-Sprint 2021 Merchandise!

In addition to the Winter Rally-Sprint 2021 sticker being sent to all entrants, you have the chance to buy some event merchandise as a souvenir of our lockdown proxy fun.

The Rally-Sprint logo has been added to two types of mug at the print-on-demand website RedBubble. The classic 325ml mug and a 354ml 'Tall' mug are high-quality ceramic items and are microwave and dishwasher safe.

Rebecca says these keep tea nice and warm. She is very picky about her mugs and these get the thumbs-up. Each mug costs £9.90 plus postage from RedBubble. Probably as much as some of us paid for our Scalextric WRC cars for the Rally-Sprint, but they will make a nice reminder of the event.

Each of the stage hosts will be receiving their own mug - and a taste of Hotel Chocolat - to say thank you for their sterling work.